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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING

DATE: 5/19/03

AGENDA SECTION: CONSENT AGENDA	ORIGINATING DEPT: Administration	ITEM NO. <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive;">D-2</div>
ITEM DESCRIPTION: CASCADE LAKE PLANNING ADVISORY TASK FORCE		PREPARED BY: G. NEUMANN

Since we are beginning to take some major steps in the development of Cascade Lake and have acquired the land needed for the trailway system, it would be useful to form two different groups to assist the staff and consultants in providing recommendations to the Mayor and Council as the final decision-makers on the plans for Cascade Lake. The first group is a technical group to work with the consultants on technical matters relating to water quality studies, mining, flood control wetland mitigation, and design issues. That body would consist of staff from various departments and other technical bodies. This would involve the following individuals: Park and Recreation – Denny Stotz; Public Works – Richard Freese, Mike Nigbur, Barb Huberty; Planning – John Harford; Administration – Gary Neumann; Department of Natural Resources representative, and an Olmsted Soil and Water Conservation District staff member.

In addition, a planning review body to help guide the physical planning and development of this major recreational resource is also recommended to be established. In 1985, we formed the Riverfront Task Force as a planning and advisory body to the City Council for the planning and development of the Flood Control Project. That body was very useful as an initial sounding board for the review of plans for the project and recommendations to the Council on the allocation or limitations of funding resources.

I believe that the main charge and responsibility of the Task Force, as it developed over the years, was item (c) "Serve as a central committee to provide recommendations relating to riverbank amenities and improvements to be discussed with the Corps of Engineers for incorporation into the South Fork Zumbro River Flood Control project".

The staff believes that it would be useful to form such an Advisory group to provide recommendations to the Council and to provide for some input by affected neighborhoods. The water quality of Cascade Lake is also affected by the total flow from the watershed. The majority of the flow comes from both Salem and Kalmar Townships. The staff is suggesting a representative from each of those townships be invited to participate. The following is the suggested membership for the Cascade Lake Planning Advisory Task Force.

1. Park Board member (Chair)
2. CUDE Representative
3. Planning Commission Rep.
4. Twp. Board Reps. From Salem and Kalmar.
5. Olmsted County Commissioner Representative
6. Zumbro/Shorewood Addition Rep. (Mayor appointed)
7. Manorwoods Lakes Rep. (Mayor appointed)
8. Interlachen Rep. (Mayor appointed)
9. Olmsted Soil and Water Conservation District Rep.
10. Chamber of Commerce appointee
11. Mayor's At Large Appointee (Mayor would like to appoint Chuck Canfield)

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EX Officio - Mayor Brede, Council President Hunziker, Ward Councilmember from Cascade Lake Marcoux

The main purpose of the task force would be to review and provide recommendations to the City Council on the consultant reports and design plans for the development of Cascade Lake as a recreational resource.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval to establish the Cascade Lake Planning Advisory Task Force.